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Our Daily Bread

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War Bonds: The 'Spread' Counts

Victory Garden Note

County Chairman C. C. Spragins had 30 local men to breakfast in Hotel Barlow this morning at 7:30 o'clock planning the canvass for the Second War Loan.

Abandonment of Crop Insurance Plan, FSA Urged

Washington, April 13 — (AP) — Abolition of the Farm Security Administration, abandonment of the crop insurance program and discontinuance of parity payments on the 1943 and 1944 crops were recommended today by the House Appropriations Committee in sending a \$707,040,844 Agriculture Department supply bill to the floor.

The funds recommended for the department's operation for the fiscal year starting next July 1 were \$20,939,259 more than current year appropriations and \$240,093,647 below budget estimates. Included in the total was \$193,623,000 for parity payments for the 1942 crop year which were authorized in last year's appropriation but for which no funds were made available at the time.

In recommending abolition of the new department FSA, created in 1937 and one of the favorite targets of congressional criticism for several years, the committee suggested that its function be transferred to the Farm Credit Administration, which was given the assignment of carrying on many FSA programs already under way.

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Hempstead's quota is \$251,000, 13 billions for the nation. Col. Keith F. Adamson was present for the Southwestern Proving Ground; and the Arkansas War Savings Staff was represented by its deputy chief, C. K. Wilkerson.

Mr. Wilkerson gave the local group some straight facts from the Treasury: Of the \$3-billion issue, 5 billions will be taken by the banks 5½ billions by business organizations such as insurance companies and the remaining 2½ billions by plain Mr. John Citizen.

But the common people's 2½ billion is really the most important of all. Mr. Wilkerson said: "It isn't merely the total amount of bonds sold that counts, but the 'spread'—the percentage of all the people who have actually bought War Bonds. For when the war is over the man who has a backlog of War Bonds will be a dependable and trustworthy citizen. And the man who has no War Bonds may very likely become a public charge on the rest of us."

Mr. Wilkerson said that Arkansas went over its War Bond quota last year, thanks to the heavy subscriptions of farmers generally. He urged prompt and thorough action in Hempstead county, reminding that Hempstead lacked only \$10,000 of meeting its 1942 quota, and trailed the 1943 first-quarter quota by \$7,000.

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Ruml Backers Seek New Vote on Tax Plan

—Washington

By FRANCIS M. LE MAY — Washington, April 13 — (AP) — Republicans resorted to blockbusting tactics today in an effort to blast away—as you—go tax bill out of the Ways and Means committee and get another vote on the Ruml income tax year.

Martin of Massachusetts, brushed aside a proposal by Speaker Ruml (D-Tex.) that Democrats and Republicans join in support a 20 per cent withholding levy without any tax abatement, and prepared to circulate a discharge petition to force current tax payment legislation to the floor.

If the Republicans can get the signatures of 218 members of the House will vote again on the Ruml plan. The skip—a year tax proposition was defeated 215 to 198 two weeks ago, the Democrats lining against it.

Coincident with the Republican activity, a sizeable bloc of Democrats launched a new move to deliver to the floor a compromise measure that would cancel a large part, but not all, of 1942 taxes.

Martin indicated he would direct the discharge petition at bringing from the committee the proposal by Reps. Robertson (D-Va.) and Forand (D-RI.) to abate the 6 per cent normal and 13 per cent first bracket surtax on the 1942 income of all taxpayers.

The Democratic bloc likewise sought to put this bill on the floor for a vote.

The Republicans, however, maneuvered to bring it out under an open rule that would allow the Ruml plan to be presented as a substitute. The "compromise" Democrats wanted a rule barring amendments, contending the Ruml plan had been beaten once and now the House should have a clear vote on the partial abatement bill.

Under the Robertson-Forand bill, the 1942 tax obligations would be erased completely for about 90 per cent of the taxpayers, and reduced substantially for others. Finally all of the 44,000,000 income taxpayers then would convert to a pay-as-you-go system.

Both the Robertson-Forand plan and the Ruml proposal, as modified in a bill by Rep. Carlson (R-Kan.), embrace the 20 per cent withholding levy against the taxable portions of pay envelopes and salary checks.

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Two More Arkansans Are Jap Prisoners

Washington, April 13 — (AP) — Two Arkansans were named today in a list made public by the War Department of 234 United States soldiers held prisoners of the Japanese in an unlisted camp. They were: Capt. Livingston P. Noell, husband of Mrs. L. P. Noell, Newport; Pvt. Robert S. Jones, son of Lewis Jones, route 1, Mc Crory.

Limit to Size of U. S. Army Is Threatened

By WILLIAM F. ARBOGAST — Washington, April 13 — (AP) — Announcement by War Manpower Chairman Paul V. McNutt that the end of 1943 will see most able-bodied fathers under 38 in the armed forces brought threats on Capitol Hill today of legislation to limit the size of the army.

Chairman May (D-Ky.) of the House Military Committee said he would urge speedy Senate approval of legislation passed yesterday by the House to give deferment priorities to men with children and added that he would demand a congressional review of manpower plans if "they don't stop fooling around down at the Manpower Commission."

Just where the Manpower Commission plans to put all the men they apparently figure on drafting between now and the end of this year is more than 1 can figure, May said. "The last figures we got from the War Department itself, were based on an army of 7,500,000 men."

While he was not prepared to say he would move immediately to control the size of the armed forces, the Kentuckian added, "something along that line will be forthcoming unless they can show the need for all these men they seem to be determined to draft."

McNutt's statement that "simple arithmetic would require the induction of all fathers except those with occupational or farm deferments and a comparatively few 'hardship cases,'" was made in connection with announcement of new draft regulations.

Briefly, the new regulations abolished the 3-B classification, heretofore held by fathers engaged in essential occupations; "F-1" or "F-2" into class 3-A—all fathers with dependents born prior to Sept. 15, away all dependency deferment for childless married men.

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Says Japs Again Massing for New Offensive Thrust

Allied Headquarters in Australia, April 13 — (AP) — News of a smashing Allied victory in the skies over Port Moresby, New Guinea, was coupled today with an official warning that the Japanese have massed 200,000 first-line troops at bases above Australia and that a new enemy bid to regain the initiative in the Southwest Pacific may be expected at any moment.

The victory over Port Moresby, in which 37 of 100 Japanese air raiders were reported knocked out of action, brought to 76 the number of enemy planes accounted for in the last two days, and General MacArthur's headquarters said these losses had apparently blunted a large scale air offensive and "dislocated the immediate plans" of the Japanese.

That the Japanese are still a force to be reckoned with, however, was emphasized by Gen. Sir Thomas Blamey, commander of Allied ground forces in this theater, who told a press conference that the enemy is making a tremendous effort to regain parity and then mastery of the air.

"The Japanese are concentrating their aggressive attention on all ready developed to a strength of 200,000 first-line troops and a powerful air force—along the island are northward of Australia for the purpose of returning to an offensive interrupted by successive Allied successes in the Coral Sea, the Solomon, New Guinea and the Bismarck sea," Blamey said.

"The result of this struggle in the next few weeks have the greatest importance for us," (A Japanese communique broadcast by Berlin claimed a transport steamer was sunk at Port Moresby, that 28 planes were destroyed, and more than 10 ground, "Severely" military establishments and 20 troops barracks were declared destroyed. The Japanese said they lost five planes, all in suicide dives into targets.

The same communique reporting on the attack on Oro Bay April 11 said three transports and a destroyer were sunk and a number of smaller warship damaged. There the Japanese claimed to have destroyed 21 Allied transport planes at the cost of six, several of which "dived into enemy targets."

Blamey declared that "the profound shock" of the losses recently suffered by the Japanese in the Bismarck sea and in other related action had taught them they cannot move large forces without gaining air control.

Of the enemy raiders reported knocked out over Port Moresby yesterday, Allied fighters were credited with 19 bombers and 10 fighters while anti-aircraft batteries claimed two planes definitely shot down and six "probables."

Allied airmen also shot down or badly damaged 15 other Japanese aircraft elsewhere in the Southwest Pacific yesterday, sank an enemy submarine off New Britain, damaged at least two cargo ships and blasted air bases in wide sweeping raid.

In a half-hour running battle over Wewak, midway on the north-east coast of New Guinea, a single Allied heavy bomber battled twice intercepting Japanese fighters and brought down seven with only "negligible damage" to itself, the Allied communique said.

Yesterday's heavy attack by the Japanese on Port Moresby followed by 24 hours a raid by 45 fighters and bombers on Oro Bay, where Allied airmen knocked out 24 enemy planes.

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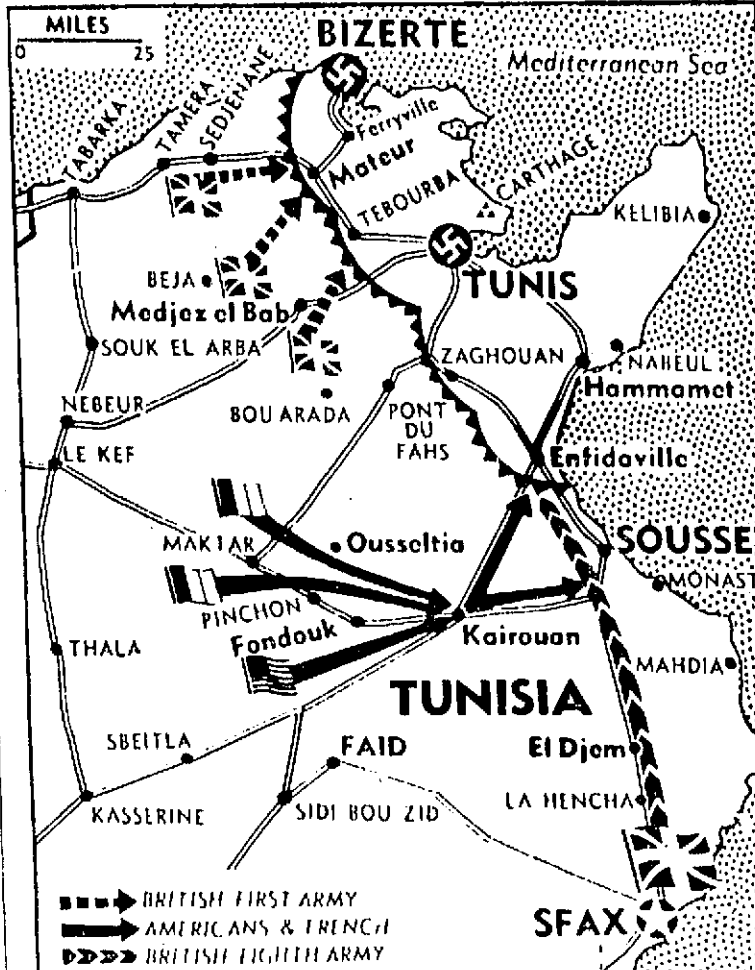
Even while the Japanese attacked Port Moresby an Allied force of Flying Fortresses blasted the enemy base at Rabaul, New Britain and started fires which the returning fliers said were visible for 50 miles.

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Today's War Map



Today's war map shows the British sweeping past Sousse as Americans and French clean up the interior of Axis positions. British First Army gaining. The present Axis defense line is also pictured.

Red Aviation Pounding Nazi Soldiers

By EDDY GILMORE — Moscow, April 13 — (AP) — Soviet aviation kept up its pounding of German supply columns today, but along the muddy, slushy front there was no major-scale action by either side.

In the Kuban area in the Caucasus, the German air force was more active and here its units appeared to be trying to smash at Russian columns who constantly are pushing the Nazis toward the sea.

The Soviet radio monitor in London recorded a Moscow radio broadcast reporting that Russian fliers and anti-aircraft batteries had shot down 25 German planes attempting to raid Krasnodar, a rail junction in the western Caucasus. Five Russian planes were lost, it was said.

On the Volkhov front, southeast of Leningrad, the series of attacks by the Germans has been fully stopped by Soviet troops who mated these sharp thrusts with strength.

The increased activity of the German air force included a raid on Russian-held Kursk, 120 miles north of Kharkov, where the Germans lost nine planes to the Russians' two. A dispatch said the majority of German bomber were dispersed before reaching the city but that some broke through and dropped bombs causing some damage and deaths.

Long range artillery poked out along the front in some of the heaviest duelling of the war to date. Especially heavy was the shelling south of Lake Ilmen in the Staraya Russa sector, south of Bely and on the Volkhov front.

In the fighting west of Rostov that has been in progress for about two weeks Soviet artillery—one of the Russians' best fighting arms—destroyed scores of Nazi gun positions, dugouts, and blockouts. The same kind of heavy shelling sporadically was breaking out in various sectors of the eastern front, about the approaches to Smolensk.

Italians Admits Loss of Cruiser Saturday

London April 13 — (AP) — The Italian high command confirmed today the loss of a cruiser by the Italian navy, presumably that sunk by the United States army air force in its bombing of the Italian naval base at La Maddalena, North Sardinia, Saturday.

Both the Trieste and Gorizia, 10,000-ton cruisers, were struck by the Flying Fortress fleet of Maj. Gen. James H. Doolittle and later reconnaissance showed that the Trieste was sunk and that the Gorizia was so badly damaged he would be out of the war for weeks.

The Italians said also that in recent weeks the Italian navy had lost three torpedo boats and two submarines.

In 1942, there were 359,694 persons on U. S. federal pension rolls.

Omaha Airport Feared Ruined by Floodwaters

Omaha, April 13 — (AP) — Army engineers today abandoned hope of saving Omaha's \$4,000,000 airport and Carter Lake, Ia., from complete inundation by Missouri river flood waters as the angry stream poured through two broken dikes into the 10-mile square stricken area on the northeastern outskirts of Omaha.

The river reached its crest at 2 a. m. at 22.45 feet, remaining at that level until 7 a. m. It then started receding slowly at the rate of about one-tenth of a foot an hour.

From four to six feet of water expected to cover the airport within the next 48 hours. Two thirds of the field stood in several feet of water this morning, said Airport Manager William R. Milner.

From two directions through widening gaps in the broken dikes, the swollen river spilled into the airport and Carter Lake.

Red Cross and other rescue workers late last night to evacuate the last of approximately 1,000 families living in the main stricken area. Other scores of families had been removed earlier from north and east Omaha as the crest moved downstream.

Meanwhile, from Council Bluffs, Ia., across the river from Omaha, to Hamburg, Ia., 50 miles downstream from here, federal and state troops, civilians and boy scouts worked to strengthen the dikes and in some cases make precautionary evacuation.

Mrs. Carter Dies at Home in Monroe, La.

Mrs. T. J. Carter, well known former Hope and Fulton resident, died at her home in Monroe, La., at 6 o'clock this morning.

She lived at Fulton for many years, moved to Hope about 1922, and for the last 10 years had lived in Monroe.

The funeral service will be held in Hope, at First Methodist church, at 4 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, the pastor, the Rev. Robert B. Moore, officiating.

Mrs. Carter is survived by five children: Thomas J. Carter, Jr., Gordon Carter, Miss Nina Carter, Robert D. Carter, all of Monroe; and James Edward Carter, of the U. S. Navy.

She is also survived by one sister, Mrs. G. H. Hall, of Caruthersville, Mo.

Blevins Class Play to Be Held April 16

The Senior Class of Blevins High School will present their play, "Murdered Alive," Friday night, April 16, at 8:00 o'clock in the high school gymnasium. Admission will be 10 and 25 cents.

Allies Move Far Beyond Sousse and Kairouan

—Africa

By DANIEL DE LUCE — Allied Headquarters in North Africa, April 13 — (AP) — Allied forces pushed the enemy into a steadily contracting area in the northern tip of Tunisia, gaining new ground north of Sousse and Kairouan, on the southern side of the Axis box, and in the Medjed El-Bab sector on the northwest. Allied headquarters announced today.

(The Algiers radio, in a broadcast recorded in London, said that the British Eighth Army had reached Enfidaville, 27 miles north of Sousse and 50 miles south of Tunis, and that nearly the whole of the Italian Vittoria division had been captured.)

(London military quarters estimated that Marshal Erwin Rommel was withdrawing into his Tunis-Bizerte defenses, an area about 100 miles long by 40 miles wide, with only about 210,000 men, 150,000 of them Germans.)

Gen. Sir Bernard L. Montgomery's seasoned Eighth Army patrols engaged rearward of the African Corps on the coastal road between Lake Kelbia and the sea as Rommel maintained his withdrawal through the Enfidaville line under a constant pressure. (This would indicate that the Montgomery advance was from five to 15 miles north of Sousse.)

British First Army troops were late reported 15 miles north of Kairouan and preying on rapidly. While French troops mopped up the Djebel Ousselt on the west flank and continued to advance northward along the Grand Dorsal range, the British First Army in the Medjed-El-Bab area, 35 miles southwest of Tunis, captured additional line vantage points.

(The Vichy radio, German-controlled, said that Rommel had been reinforced by air in the last few days with both men and weapons. (The Italian communique, broadcast by the Rome radio and recorded by the Associated Press, acknowledged that 60 dead and 124 injured were left in Allied raids on Italy an Italian islands.)

In the air, Allied fliers continued to pound enemy bases and air-dromes, scoring hits yesterday on dock and shipping at Bizerte; on a tanker and barge at Trapani, in Sicily; and on an enemy airfield at St. Marie Du Zit, it was announced.

The St. Marie Du Zit airfield first was attacked Sunday night and many fires were left burning after direct hits on the buildings, it was said.

"Attacks on this target and on another enemy airfield in Tunisia were continued yesterday by formations of B-25 Mitchells and A-20 Bostons," the communique said. "Bombs burst among aircraft on the ground and more fire were started."

St. Marie Du Zit is 40 miles northwest of Sousse and 30 miles southeast of Tunis. It is nine miles east of Zaghouan.

Flying Fortresses carried the attack to Bizerte, and other Axis Mediterranean supply ports. A "very large fire" was caused by the destruction of the tank in Trapani harbor, it was said.

Escorting P-38 Lightnings shot down four enemy aircraft during the bombings.

Fighter planes on patrol over the forward fighting areas shot down one enemy plane and the coastal patrols shot down two more off the Algerian coast, headquarters said.

"Further reports of operations on April 19 show that five more enemy aircraft was destroyed, making a total of 63 on that day," the communique added.

Two Allied planes are missing as a result of yesterday's aerial foray, it was stated.

Auxiliary Police to Meet on Wednesday

The Hempstead County Auxiliary Police will hold their regular monthly meeting Wednesday night, April 14, at the American Legion hall at 7:45 o'clock, according to Corbin Foster, secretary-treasurer.

Saved by Promise

Hot Springs, April 13 — (AP) — Hot Springs taxicab owners, under criticism because of fast driving, have promised the county rationing board to put mechanical governors on all cabs to hold speed to 35 miles an hour.

Rationing board Chairman Warren Wilson told the taxi men if this didn't get results, "other means will be employed." By that he said he meant a tightening up on tire ration.

Delaware's state flower is the peach blossom.

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Hold Everything



"You'll have to forget your telegraph messenger training in the Army, Private Jones!"

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Guadalcanal Diary

Based on the **Book-of-the-Month**

BY RICHARD TREGASKIS
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"A whole Navy's here!"



"We were going in with weight and power behind us."



"I packed, so as to be ready..."



"My new ship was an ancient angular horror."
rust on her flanks—in sharp contrast to the luxury ship I had just left. The deck was black with slime and grime—for, as I was to discover later, the ship had no modern apparatus for pumping water. The Marines cramping the deck were just as dirty.
I went down to the cabin of Col. LeRoy P. Hunt, commanding officer of the assault troops. The colonel was quite serious about the job that lay ahead. "It's going to be tough going on the beach," he said quietly. "Somebody's going to get hurt."
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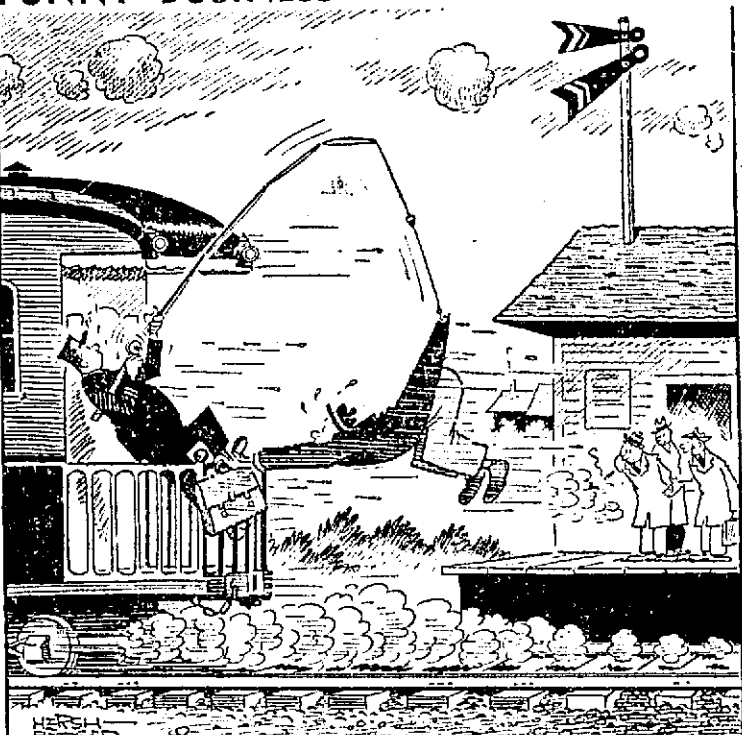
SIDE GLANCES

By Galbraith



"Tails, you win and we both plant gardens—heads, I win and we raise chickens!"

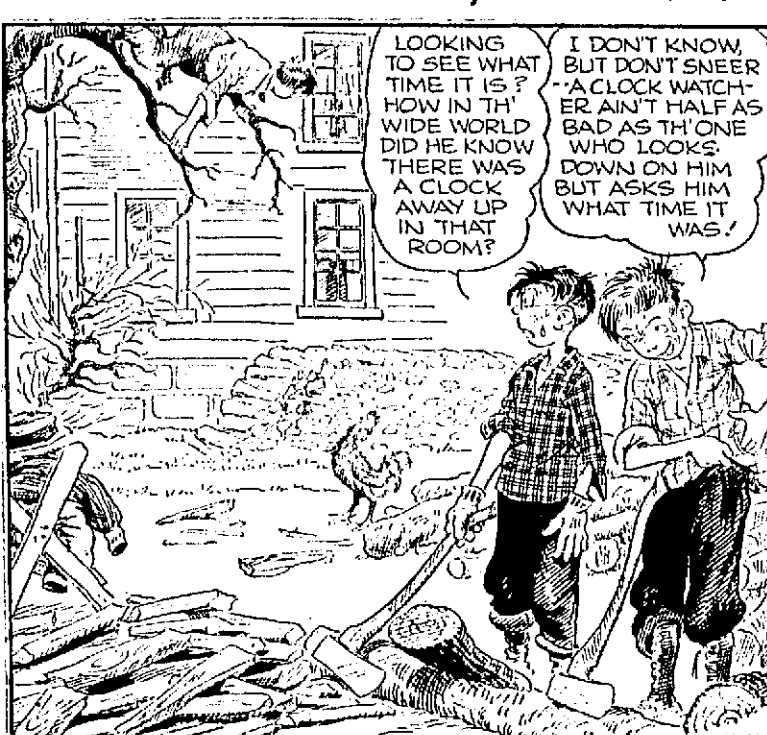
FUNNY BUSINESS



"Another near miss for Jones on catching the 8:15!"

OUT OUR WAY

By J. R. Williams



"Heroes are made—not born"

OUR BOARDING HOUSE with Major Hoople

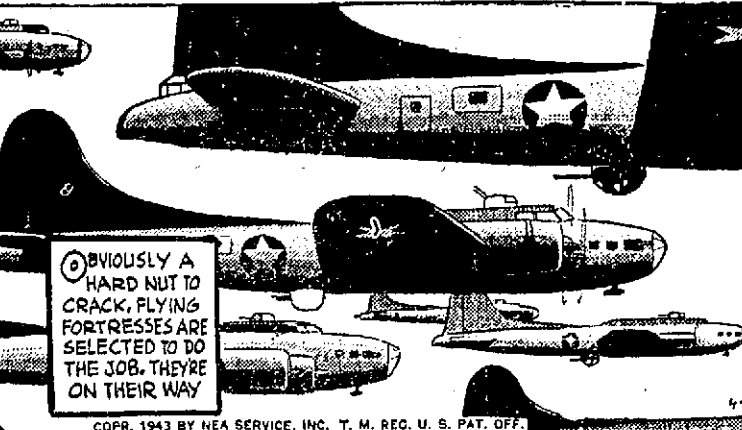
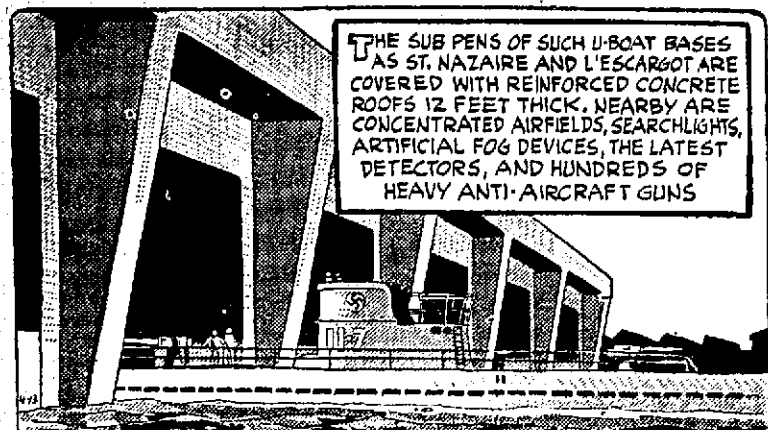


"Jake don't get it"

Wash Tubbs

Good Old Fortress

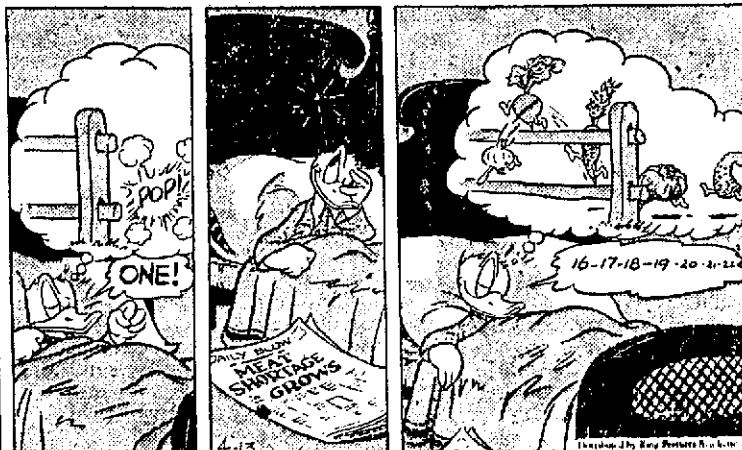
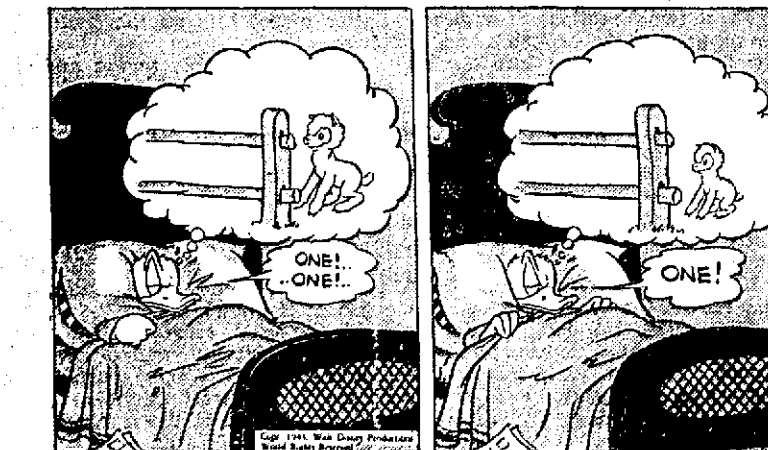
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Donald Duck

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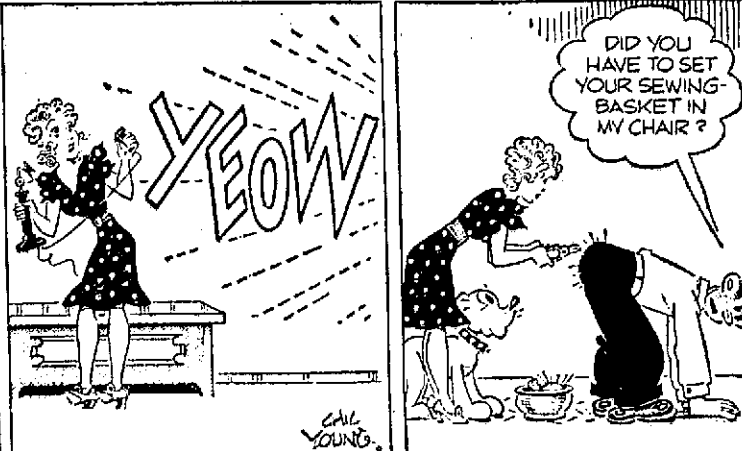
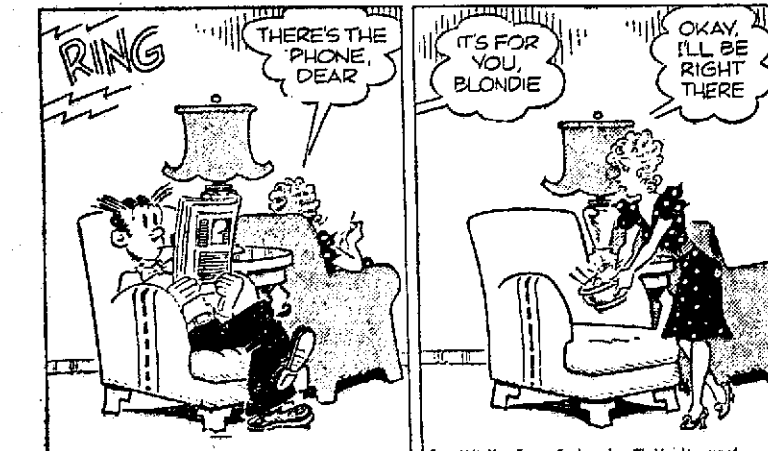
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Shrapnel on the Home Front!

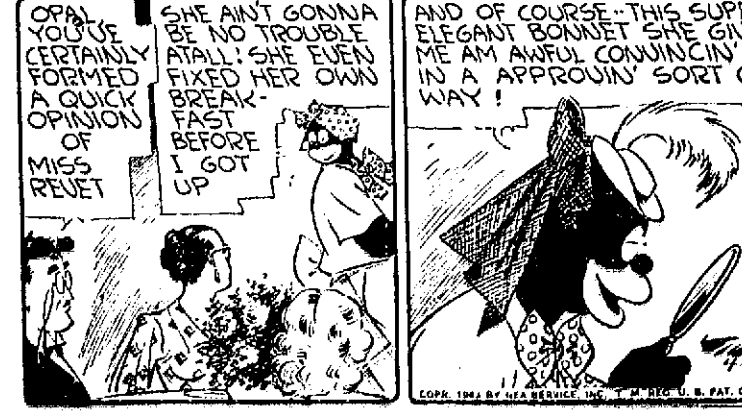
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Boots and Her Buddies

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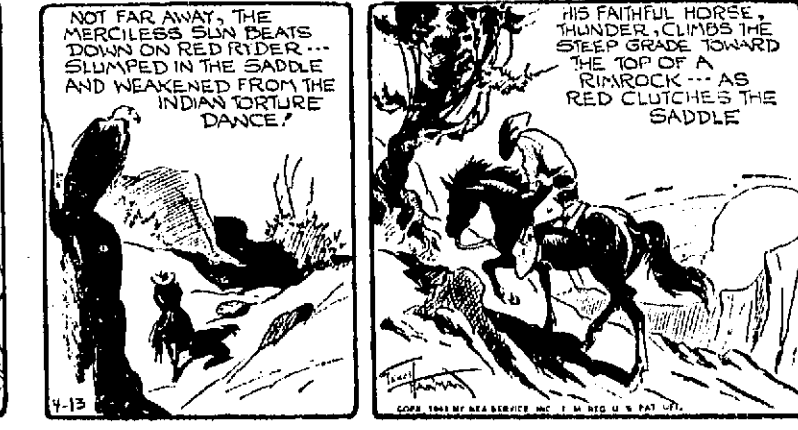
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Red Ryder

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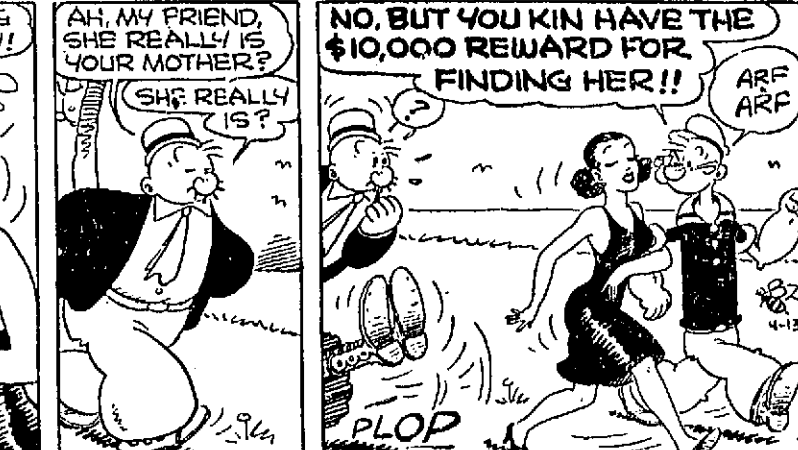
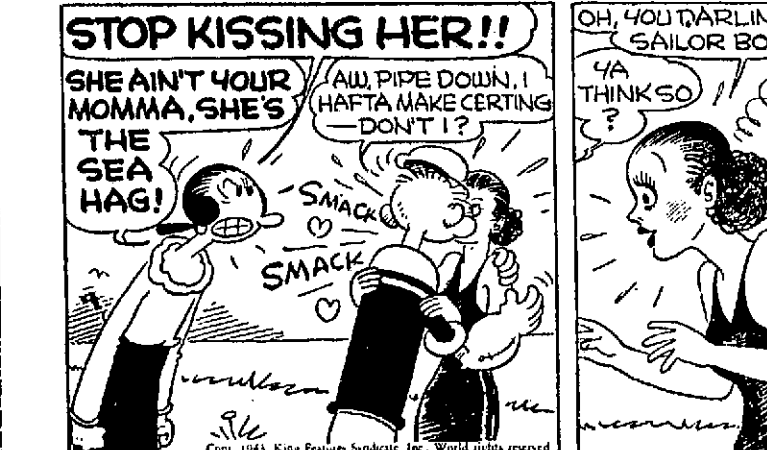
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Popeye

"Close Enough!"

Thimble Theater



Alley Oop

The Same Guy

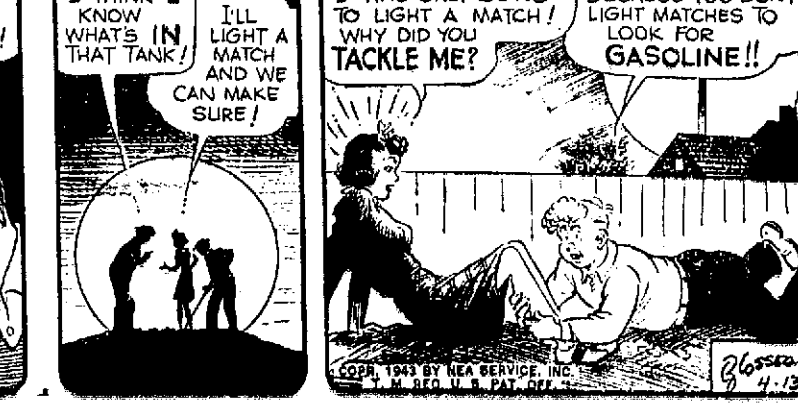
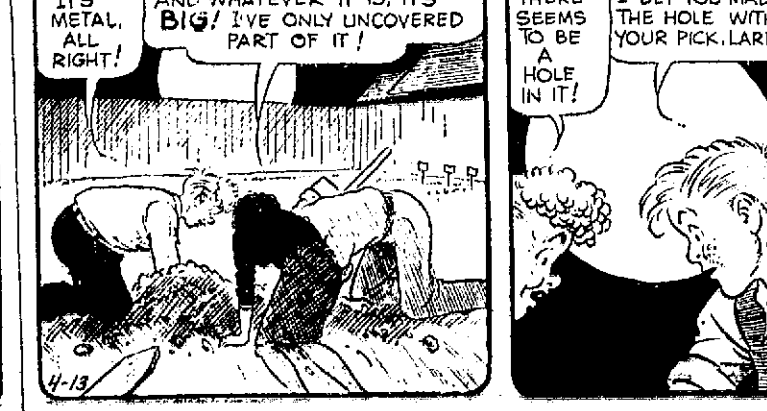
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Freckles and His Friends

A Fatal Mistake

By Merrill Blosser



Social and Personal

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Social Calendar

Tuesday, April 13th
Iris Garden club, home of Mrs. Claude Agee with Mrs. Frank Porter, co-hostesses, 3 o'clock.

The Jett B. Graves class of the First Methodist Sunday School, social meeting at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Kinard with Mrs. Ralph Smith and Mrs. Clyde Hendrickson, associate hostesses, 7:30 o'clock.

A social meeting for members of the Winsome Sunday school class of the First Baptist church will be held at the home of Mrs. Warren Hart with Mrs. Rosalee Trout, Mrs. Ophelia Bolls, and Mrs. Julian Spillers, co-hostesses, 7:30 o'clock.

Wednesday, April 14th
Mayor Albert Graves will be the guest speaker at the April meeting of the Paisley P. T. A. at the school, 3 o'clock.

The Edith Thompson class of the First Methodist church will meet at the home of Mrs. C. M. Agee with Mrs. H. O. Kyles and Mrs. T. N. Mouser, associate hostesses, 7:30 o'clock.

Thursday, April 15th
Mrs. Mark M. Smyth and Mrs. Marion Buchanan will be hostesses to members of the Lilac Garden club, 3 o'clock.

Deputy Grand Lecturer of the Eastern Star of Arkansas, Mrs. Nell Cash of Melvern, will make her official visit at the Masonic Temple, 8 p. m. All members are requested to attend.

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to make their new home.
Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Keith have as a guest, Mrs. Keith's mother, Mrs. W. C. Jack of Texarkana.

After a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Phillips, Sr., D. B. Phillips has returned to his home in Pensacola, Fla.

T-Sgt. Mack Stuart is spending the remainder of the week with Mrs. Stuart while enroute to Camp Hood, Texas from Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Keith and their guest, Mrs. W. C. Jack of Magnolia, Miss Mary Louise Keith, and Mrs. Frank Rider are guests of Mrs. Herbert Burnside in Texarkana today.

Mrs. Carl Jones and daughter, Kitty, have arrived from Bay City, Texas to visit Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Franks and other relatives.

Mrs. Doyle Bruce and daughter, Barbara Ann, left today for Alhambra, California, where they will be domiciled with Mr. Bruce.

Pvt. Howard Taylor leaves today for Venus, Fla. after a 15-day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Taylor, and other relatives and friends.

Personal
Two poems by Clarice Brown, 219 South Washington, appeared in a recent issue of a magazine "Reflections" published in Laurens, New York. Her poems are entitled "We have a Victory to Win" and "War Changes Things".

Friends of Mrs. F. B. Ward will be glad to know that she is rapidly recuperating from a recent tonsillotomy performed Sunday, April 11 at the Tri-State hospital in Shreveport.

Communiques

Sgt. Arthur Barr has been transferred from Camp Barkley, Texas to Camp Cook, Calif. He has been made a member of a cadre unit of the Medical Corps.

From Keesler Field, Miss. comes the news of the promotion of Raymond H. Young to the rank of Sergeant. Sgt. Young is with the United States Army Motion Picture service.

Pentecostal Revival to End Sunday Night

Revival services, which have been in progress at the First Pentecostal Church for the past week, will continue through Sunday night, the Rev. W. P. Graves, pastor announced today.

The services are conducted by the Rev. E. J. Douglas. The public is invited.

SERIAL STORY

DARK JUNGLES

BY JOHN C. FLEMING & LOIS EBY

THE STORY: Allison Topping, society girl, is off to Guatemala, to run her father's chic plantation. Barry, a young man, tried many times to dissuade her. At last he has succeeded. Barry is a guide for Barry. That evening he admits he has had no luck so no one wants to trespass on Quiche territory. He suggests Barry accompany himself and Allison to the plantation, where there are other guides. If they too refuse, Renaldo himself will go.

COLD FEAR

CHAPTER VIII

THE rain was pelting like bullets on the tin roof. The close stickiness of the air made the heat seem more oppressive than when the sun poured down. Barry came down the narrow boardwalk to the small hotel office. In the thin gray light of early morning he could see he was quite alone except for the native desk clerk who was stretched full length in a chair snoring noisily. Then the street door opened and Renaldo, beads of rain glistening on his dark face, came in. Behind him came a giant of a man whom he introduced as Jose. Across Jose's hairy chest swung crossed cartridges. Two old style six-shooters bumped his hips as he walked.

"Jose is the best muleteer in all Guatemala," Renaldo said. "And the best guide as well. After we get to the plantation he will go on with you to the Quiche country." He clapped his hands loudly and the sleeping desk clerk struggled to his feet. "Coffee and tortillas!"

The native shuffled off in the direction of the kitchen, and Renaldo turned back to Barry. "Where is the senorita?"

"I didn't knock at her door," Barry said. "I thought maybe because of the rain she wouldn't want to go today."

"Caramba," Renaldo roared. "We think nothing of rain in Guatemala. It rains almost every day. If she does not like rain then she will not like our country."

"She is a very determined young woman," Barry said slowly.

"This is no place for a woman. Especially for an Americano del Norte. We should do our best to convince her of this."

"You heard me convincing her," Barry jeered.

Populace of Kairouan Flees From City

By WILLIAM B. KING
Kairouan, Tunisia, April 11 — (Delayed) (AP)—The mosque crowded city of Kairouan, all its municipal utilities wrecked by the fleeing Germans, held out welcoming hands to Allied troops today, while the armor which had smashed through Fondouk pass and shattered the remnants of Marshal Erwin Rommel's tank force swept northward.

The first troops to enter the Moslem holy city were welcomed by hand-clapping Arabs and overjoyed French citizens.

Jews, still wearing the signs of David on their coat lapels as required by the German force, made a great show of tearing off the stars and stamping them on the ground in front of Allied soldiers.

All inhabitants told of the wreckage perpetrated by the Germans before they left Saturday night.

The electric plant was destroyed. The electric plant was blown up, and the local bakery was dismantled. There were reports of departing Germans left quantities of small arms in the hands of Arabs but these were discredited by town officials.

Kairouan, which is one of the largest cities captured in Tunisia by the Allies, was by-passed by the bulk of the armor which headed northward to positions from which it was possible to cut into roads on which enemy troops were retreating northward and also to envelop the Nazi infantry believed still holding positions on the Grand versal range east of Ousseltia valley.

Kairouan is recognized as the center of Moslem culture. It was occupied by a British reconnaissance element during the morning, and American troops moved in as a holding force later in the day.

The British tank force, which crashed through Fondouk pass in strength yesterday, sp out in the broad level of Kairouan plain in the afternoon and cleared it thoroughly of German armor. The result of this battle, in the wide cultivated fields of young grain and stretches of fallow land, was the destruction of 18 enemy tanks. From 40 to 500 prisoners, mostly Germans, have been taken.

The battle flared up when the rear guard of two Panzer divisions attempted to cut through the tip of Kairouan plain in flight northward. The enemy force consisted of 40 tanks which were attacked by British armor which rumbled into the fight with the sun behind them.

In addition to the 18 tanks, the Allies destroyed 20 anti-tank guns and 20 motor vehicles and forced the Germans to abandon a large quantity of other equipment.

Attorney III in Lower 13 Murder

Albany, Or., April 12 (AP)—Resumption of Oregon's "Lower 13" murder trial today on the recovery of Defense Attorney Leroy Lomax from illness which brought interruption to the case at a climactical point.

Lomax, who is acting as counsel for Robert E. Lee Folkes, the Negro dining car cook accused of murdering Mrs. Martha Virginia James of Norfolk, Va., aboard a crowded passenger train, was stricken Saturday with bronchitis and influenza.

Circuit Judge L. G. Lewelling ordered an indefinite adjournment of court.

Mrs. James, 21 year-old bride of Ensign Richard James, also a Virginian, was slain in her sleeping car berth—Lower 13—on a California bound train lashed in January 23. Her throat was slashed in a pre-dawn attack, of which the state contends Folkes is guilty.

FDR Dedicates Marble Temple to Jefferson

Washington, April 13 — (AP)—President Roosevelt, dedicating a marble temple to Thomas Jefferson, declared today that those fighting today's war would learn what Jefferson knew—that the "seeming eclipse of liberty can well become the dawn of more liberty."

"Those who fight the tyranny of our own time will come to learn that old lesson," the president said.

Surrounded by high officials, diplomats of many nations and many descendants of the author of the declaration of Independence, the chief executive said in the dedication of the shrine to freedom that the nation is paying a debt "long overdue" the third president.

The words chosen for the memorial, he said, were Jefferson's noblest and carried the champion of freedom's most urgent meaning. These words are:

"I have sworn upon the altar of God, eternal hostility against every form of tyranny over the mind of man."

"Today in the midst of a great war for freedom, we dedicate a shrine to freedom," the president said.

"To Thomas Jefferson, a possessor of freedom, we are paying a debt long overdue. Our generation of Americans can understand much in Jefferson's life which intervening generations could not see as well as we."

"He faced the fact that men who will not fight for liberty can lose it. We, two, have faced that. He lived in a world in which freedom of conscience and freedom of mind were battles still to be fought through—not principles already accepted of all men. We, too have lived in such a world."

"He loved peace and loved liberty—yet on more than one occasion he was forced to choose between them. We, too, have been compelled to make that choice."

"Thomas Jefferson believed, as we believe, in man. He believed, as we believe, that men are capable of their own government, and that no king, no tyrant, no dictator can govern for them as wisely as they can govern for themselves."

"He believed as we believe, in certain inalienable rights as we, saw those principles and free doms challenged. He fought for them, as we fight for them."

"He proved that the eclipse of liberty can well become the dawn of more liberty. Those who fight the tyranny of our own time will come to learn that old lesson. Among all the peoples of the earth, the gruelties and oppressions of its would-be master have taught this generation what it libertels can mean. This lesson, so bitterly learned, will never be forgotten while this generation lives."

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War Bonds Insure Plenty Costly Weapons for Our Men

Analysis of the News by Mackenzie

Editorial Comment Written Today and Moved by Telegraph or Cable.

By DeWITT MacKENZIE

This started out to be a column on the great defeat which we are piling up against the Axis forces in Tunisia, but somehow it's got mixed up with that \$13,000,000,000 War Bond drive of ours.

It isn't that I'm particularly money-minded, for I don't know just how much thirteen billion dollars is. Figures like that don't mean much to the average citizen. However, being just back from a 25,000-mile tour of the war theaters, I do know that our troops in Tunisia are being rushed to victory on the backs of your War Bonds and mine.

With even more satisfaction one can record that scores of thousands of Allied soldiers' lives are being saved as this bloody battle writhes up the coast toward Northern Tunisia where the final Axis stand seems likely to be made. Only a few weeks ago I visited the Libyan battlefields where not so far back the Allied suffered defeat and heavy casualties, not because they didn't fight courageously, but because they were lacking equipment.

We are winning now because we have the equipment as well as the men. On of the things that impressed me most on my tour, as I have recorded in this column before, was the great striking power the Allied are piling up in the European and middle Eastern theaters. I saw mountainous stores of equipment which are just now beginning to make themselves felt in a big way. And that equipment comes out of our War Bonds.

Marshal Rommel is racing north, his defenses in Southern and Central Tunisia shattered by the combined assault of British, French and American forces. One of the most important elements in the Allied success has been air superiority.

Warplanes helped destroy Rommel's defenses at the outset in the Mareh Line. Bombers have blasted his bases and communication on both land and sea. Clouds of light bombers and fighters at this moment are pursuing his routed petros and exacting a terrible toll in casualties.

Well now an average fighter plane costs something like \$165,000. A light bomber is more, and so of until you pay \$350,000,000 for the Flying Fortress which is doing such magnificent work not only in the Mediterranean zone but over Western Europe.

Bombs are being spewed into Rommel's ranks from the air. Every 100-pounder costs over \$31, and from there the prices range up to \$872 for the big 4,000-pound devil. The machineguns with which the fighters are strafing the unhappy Axis troops cost \$1,500 each, and the ammunition runs into big money when you figure the expenditure for a day's work.

A bulletin from Lo don says that fifteen more Axis vessels have been destroyed or damaged in the Mediterranean by British submarines. That cuts Rommel off from a lot

Market Report

ST. LOUIS LIVESTOCK
National Stockyards, Ill., April 13 (AP)—(U. S. Dept. Agr.)—Hogs 14,000; fairly active; mostly steady to strong with average Monday, 10-15 under extreme high time; bulk good and choice 180-190 lbs. 14.75-15.25; top 14.85; steady; odd lots extreme heavies down to 14.60; 160-170 lbs. 14.25-15.00; 140-160 lbs. 13.75-14.35; 100-130 lbs. 12.75-13.60; sows 14.25-15.00; mostly 14.35-15.25; stags 14.50 down.

Cattle, 4,000; calves, 1,400; supplies light; little done on steers but other classes opening mostly steady; a few medium and good heifer and mixed vealings 13.50-15.25; common and medium cows 11.00-13.00; nothing done on bulls; vealers 15.00; good and choice largely 15.00; medium and good 12.50 and 13.75; nominal range slaughter steers 12.00-17.00; slaughter heifers 11.00-16.25; stocker and feeder steers 11.00-15.25.

Sheep, 1,500; market not established.

NEW YORK STOCKS
New York, April 13 (AP)—A sharp break in rail stocks and secondary bonds, attributed to suspension of last year's freight rates increases by the Interstate Commerce commission, brought another relapse in today's securities markets.

Dealings subsided after a fast opening in which blocks of 10,000 Southern Pacific, 5,000 Lackawanna and 4,000 U. S. Steel, with numerous 1,000-share transactions, crowded the ticker tape. Early losses, ranging from 1 to more than 3 points, were reduced in most cases, and scattered industrial gainers were in evidence, but trends generally were down near the close. Turnover for the full proceedings was around 1,600,000 shares.

The war news as an ameliorating influence but potential buyers more alert. A medium submarine plane costs \$3,000,000. If the British were doing their usual good shooting, and used one torpedo for each ship hit, they would have exploded \$165,000 worth of torpedoes, since an average torpedo costs \$11,000. I don't know where \$165,000,000 could be invested on more advantageous terms.

I was traveling on an American military transport plane in the Middle East. Opposite me on a stretcher was one of our soldier boys with a broken back. He was being rushed to a city a thousand miles away where there was a hospital which might save him. He was a handsome chap and all through the long hours he showed his white teeth in a smile despite his mental anguish, for he knew that his life hung by a thread.

Plane crew and soldier passengers all were solicitous for his welfare. Once the pilot sent back to know if a landing which he had made had been too rough for the injured man. Again the skipper asked if the weather was too rough at the height he was flying.

When I got off the plane I leaned over the stretcher and said: "Good luck to you, buddy."

"Thank you, sir," he replied, and he flashed that smile.

They were able to move that lad by airplane because our money and labors had produced the plane and delivered it in the war zone. I'm waiting now to learn whether the chap with the smile made the grade.

held aloof to await further developments on the home front.

POULTRY AND PRODUCE
Chicago, April 13 (AP)—Poultry, live 7 trucks; firm. Prices unchanged.

Butter, receipts 571,800; steady; prices as quoted by the Chicago price current are unchanged.

Eggs receipts 28,200; firm, prices unchanged.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS
Chicago, April 13 (AP)—Wheat futures prices were easily influenced today in either direction but the volume of trading was light as most interests awaited definite developments from Washington. The market advanced around noon but selling attributed to one of the mills brought near the day's best levels, however. Rye fluctuated erratically as commission houses and local interests tested the market.

Wheat closed 1-8 to 1-2 cent higher than yesterday's final levels. May \$1.43 3-4 - 78; July \$1.43 1-4 - 1-8; oats advanced 1-4 to 1-8 cents; rye 1-4 to 1-8, and corn was unchanged at ceiling bids.

Cash wheat sample grade hard 1.03.

Corn No. 3 white 1.21; sample grade white 1.15.

Oats No. 2 white 67; sample grade white 63 1-2 - 65.

Barley malting 2 - 1.07 nominal.

NEW YORK COTTON
New York, April 13 (AP)—Oversold cotton and a resumption of trade buying lifted cotton prices today. Gains were maintained although trading was light.

New Orleans interests and locals were small buyers on the upturn. Late values were 35 to 50 cents a bale higher, May 20.15, July 19.93 and Oct. 19.76.

Cotton ended about \$1 a bale up as New Orleans and local buying, coupled with continued trade price fixing, found a scarcity of offerings.

Futures closed 80 to 95 cents a bale higher.

May 20.09 open; 20.25 high; 20.08 low; 20.22 - 23 late; up 16.

July 19.86 open; 20.07 high; 19.84 low; 20.04 late; up 19.

Oct. 19.76 open; 19.93 high; 19.69 low; 19.82 - 87; up 17.

Dec. 19.65 open; 19.84 high; 19.64 low; 19.82 - 83 late; up 19.

Feb. 19.59 open; 19.75 high; 19.59 low; 19.74 late; up 17.

Middling spot 21.96 - N, up 14. N-Nominal.

Adkins, Bailey
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rem taxes "while other taxes approximated \$210,000." He continued:

"Unless an increase is forthcoming within the next three months, and this increase should be not less than 50 cents a barrel, I believe that the operator in the strip-per fields of Arkansas will be well on the road to bankruptcy. . . .

"I have been told by the experts that more and more oil will be needed to meet the increasing war demands and that common exploratory methods are failing to produce this oil. The reserves of oil represented by the stripper fields of Arkansas are tragically located and transportation facilities are present for their ready service to the war effort. Secondary recovery operations have been brought to a virtual standstill due to the fact that the absurdly low price of oil in this area will not permit the employment of these methods for economic reasons."

Bailey's statement pointed out the price was fixed by the OPA.

Deaths Last Night
Beverly Hills, Calif., April 13 (AP)—Claude West, 50, short story writer and movie scenarist who won a special award by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences for her collaboration on the screenplay "Mrs. Miniver," died last night. She was a native of Nottingham, England.

Evans Favors New Rules of Southern Loop

By PHIL CLARKE
Atlanta, April 13 (AP)—Showman Engle, head of the Chattanooga baseball club, who runs his team like a three-ring circus, thumbed dilly through a brand new manual from Southern Association headquarters and grinned.

"Yes sir," spoke Joe. "This is the stuff."

"Why it's just what we need to pep up the old ball game. I guess you might call it the 'Daily Dozen Delay Destroyers.'"

Engel referred to a set of twelve wartime instructions for players and umpires authored by veteran Baseballer Billy Evans, serving his first year as president of the Southern Association.

Baseball, believes Evans, needs speed and hustle. The 59-year-old former big league umpire, who also served several years as general manager of the Cleveland Indians, thinks it's the ump's job to help keep things rolling along and he says so in his manual.

Under the new rule, Southern Association umpires will fire new balls directly to the pitcher, rather than hand them to the catcher for "round the infield tossing."

There will be no longer conferences at the home plate when umpires go on the diamond to start the game.

And even arguments will be streamlined. When there is a dispute over the umpire's decision, say the rules, no players other than the involved shall take part in the discussion. And when a pitcher is the last man out, retiring his side, he's to go directly to the pitching mound instead of returning to the bench.

Only the catcher and one infielder will be permitted to confer with a faltering hurler, and bench managers will have the right to go to the mound just once during an inning.

Both teams are to run to and from their positions with no visiting by players on the way.

All of which may mean that Joe and Mabel will get a chance to take in that doubleheader before the night shift begins at the war plant.

Church News
At a Congregational meeting of the members of the First Presbyterian Church, held last Sunday morning, 5 additional Deacons were elected for a term of three years, they are as follows:

Chester C. McNeill, Jas. L. Moore, Burle E. McMahon, C. B. Floyd and Milford Daniel.

These 5 new Deacons will be ordained and installed next Sunday at the morning service.

The monthly supper meeting of the men of the Presbyterian church will be held Wednesday of this week at 7:30 p. m. in the dining room of the church.

The group will assemble in the auditorium and go from there to the dining room.

Rev. O. L. (Rep) Graham of Texarkana will be the guest speaker.

All members and friends of the group are urged to attend.

Sports Mirror
Today A Year Ago—Draft board revealed that Pete Reiser, Brooklyn outfielder, had been reclassified 1A.

Three Years Ago—Cornelius Warmerdam belated world pole vault record, clearing 15 feet in Pacific Coast triangular meet.

Five Years Ago—Elroy Robing-ton, holder of world 880 yard mark at 1:49.6, retired from competition because of a bad ankle.

Fires take about 10,000 human lives annually in the United States.

SPORTS ROUNDUP

By HUGH FULLERTON, JR.
Wide World Sports Columnist

New York, April 13 (AP)—The season is at hand for selecting this year's major league pennant winners, though we can't see what team you pick in April may be just a bunch of individuals in Uncle Sam's uniforms by October. . . . Why not just wait until the end of the season and then say: "See, I told you so?" . . . At any rate, here's what this dept. has to offer in the day of selections:

National League
To pick a winner, just pick a Card; They're full of pep and try so hard. But never overlook the Dodgers. A bunch of ancient, draft-free codgers. The Reds rely on muscle magic if they're not third, it will be tragic. The Pirates and Cubs come next. As pennant contenders they're all heaved. The Braves and Phillies are in. With very little hope or cheer.

American League
The first place vote goes to the Yanks. As hard to stop as Sherman tanks. Boston comes second, on a guess. Because we like the Indians less. Despite the bullyhoo for St. Louis. The Browns are fourth, and that's no hokey. Then Tigers, White Sox, Senators, A's. Who are lucky in the league they stay.

Today's Guest Star
C. M. Gibbs, Baltimore Sun: "With the parking lot at Pinchot open during the forthcoming spring meet this means drivers may enter and park — at their own risk. Having done this, they may then go on in and bet — also at their own risk."

Says Pitching Key to Winning Team
By REX THOMAS
Atlanta, April 13 (AP)—Sz you! That, in short, is Doc Prothro's answer to the ancient and accepted belief that pitching is 80 percent of a winning baseball club. And the doctor should know.

Blessed with a bountiful crop of pitchers — and some good ones, too — the unhappy skipper of the Memphis Chiefs discovers now that what he really needs is hitting power — and plenty of it.

But while the mastermind of the Chiefs bemoaned his ill fortune, Jolly Johnny Riddle beamed happier than ever at Birmingham. John Conway, veteran shortstop, topped his Baron uniform and began working out. His arrival gave Riddle a bang-up infield.

Chattanooga's Manager Spraky Olson was happy, too, over the arrival of Buck Jacobs, 19-game winner with Charlotte, N. C., last year, and the showing of Leroy Brock, Lafayette, Ga., youngster, former Georgia textile league player.

Both ends of the Little Rock battery league shone brighter with the addition of Harter Ed (Bear tracks) Greer and Veteran Backstop Cliff Bolton. Manager Buck Fausett also announced the signing of Roy Idom, pitcher-outfielder from Texas.

Today in Congress
Senate—In recess until Wednesday.

Military affairs committee hears Admiral Land on War Service bill (9 a.m. Central War Time).

Banking and currency committee calls Joseph Weiner on civilian

President and Wife Get Season Baseball Pass

Washington, April 13 (AP)—Regardless of what the schedules say, the big league baseball season is officially on as far as capital city fans are concerned.

President Clark Griffith of the Washington Senators, dragged out his Sunday suit, had his shoes shined and his hair neatly brushed yesterday before marching up to 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue to present President and Mrs. Roosevelt with season's pass.

He's been making the same trip annually since the days when William Howard Taft was the chief executive.

St. Louis. —Although the major league opening is only a little more than a week away, managers of both St. Louis teams are juggling their lineups today in the third game of the city series.

Manager Billy Southworth of the Cardinals, is trying to round out a smooth functioning infield while Laik Sewell of the Browns, must find a replacement for outfielder Glenn McQuillen, who likely will be inducted today.

McQuillen said he would pick the nacy, if accepted, and ask to be sent to the Great Lakes Training Station.

Newhouse to Pitch Today
Evansville, Ind.—Steve O'Neill of the Detroit Tigers, named pitcher Hal Newhouse to start today's exhibition with the Chicago Cubs at Vincennes, Ind. The teams have split in their previous two meetings.

More Worries For Ott
New York — Manager Mel Ott of the New York Giants received a double blow today when Tom Sunkel, left handed pitcher, went to take his draft screening test and Cliff Melton, his ace southpaw, reported that the elbow of his pitching arm was swollen and doctors had advised rest as a cure.

Private Outfield In Doubt
Muncie, Ind.—The Pittsburgh Pirate outfield has manager Frankie Frish worried and he ordered another intra-squad game today to get a better line on all his candidates. Right now he is not certain that even Vince Dimaggio, sure-fielding veteran will be in the line-up on opening day.

Indian Pitchers Need Work
Indianapolis — The weather-encouraged vacation yesterday was a blow to Manager Lou Boudreau's plans for his Cleveland Indians pitchers. All need work and only two, Al Milnar and Mel Harder, have gone as much as five innings. Today the Tribe plays the Cincinnati Reds at Richmond, Ind.

Dodgers, Giants Meet
Camp Upton N.Y.—The Brooklyn Dodgers and New York Giants came here to entertain the soldiers today. The Giants landed on Bob Chipman for four runs in the first inning of their battle at Camp Dix, N.J., yesterday before the contest was called because of the weather.

Manager Leo Durocher indicated that Albie Glossop was ahead of Alex Kamponis in the race for the Dodger second base position.

Yanks Silence Aircraft Guns at Jap Base

Washington, April 13 (AP)—Japanese anti-aircraft guns were silenced and fires were started in camp areas when army and navy bombers struck enemy lines Sunday and Monday at enemy positions in the Solomon Islands, the Navy reported today.

In the North Pacific, meanwhile, army planes continued their almost incessant pounding of enemy-held Kiska Island with four raids which resulted in direct hits and the starting of fires in the camp area.

The U. S. 11th Bomber command disclosed Japanese are building string of stepping-stone airfields from Tokyo toward Alaska despite violent American bombing and naval attack.

Navy communiqué number 342: "South Pacific: (All dates are east longitude.)

"On April 11th:

"(A) During the evening, Lightning and Corsair fighters strafed Rekata Bay, Santa Isabel Island. A number of Japanese anti-aircraft positions were silenced.

"(B) During the night, Flying Fortress heavy bombers attacked Khashi in the Shortland Island area. Two Fortresses failed to return, apparently due to unfavorable weather. Results of the attack were unobserved.

"(C) During the same night, a Catalina patrol bomber (Consolidated PBV) attacked Munda on New Georgia Island.

"On April 12th:

"A force of Avengers torpedo bombers and Wildcat fighters bombed and strafed Vila on Kolombangara Island. Fires were started in the camp area. In this same operation Avengers attacked Ringi Cove, three miles northwest of Vila and started a fire. No United States planes were lost in these two attacks.

"North Pacific:

"On April 11th formations of United States arm planes, composed of Mitchells, Warhawks, and Lightnings carried out four bombing attacks on Koska. Hits were scored and fires were started in the enemy camp areas.

"The third on Munda was the 103rd against that enemy air field center since last November. The attacks on Kiska were the 54th through 58th of the spring offensive against that Japanese outpost — an offensive which began March 1.

The planet Mercury does not have night and day. One side is constantly turned to the sun.

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